

Allegations of corruption against the Director, Doordarshan, Bhubaneswar

4016. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether her Ministry has received specific allegations of corruption against the Director, Doordarshan, Bhubaneswar; and
- (b) if so, the details of the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) and (b) A complaint was received against the Director, Doordarshan Kendra, Bhubaneswar, but the allegations could not be substantiated as these were non-specific and vague in nature.

DD Relay centres in Bihar

†4017. SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state the number of Doordarshan relay centres working and the details of the relay centres under construction in the State of Bihar alongwith the details of their locations, togetherwith their KW capacity?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): 34 TV transmitters (HPTs-5, LPTs-29) are at present functioning in Bihar and 4 TV projects are under implementation in the State. Capacity and location-wise details are given in the statement.

Statement

1. Existing Doordarshan Transmitters and its Power in Bihar (As on 31.03.2001)

Type	Transmitter	Power (Watts)
HPTs(5)	Katihar	10 KW
	Muzaffarpur	1 KW

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

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Type	Transmitter	Power (Watts)
LPTs(29)	Patna	10 KW
	Patna (DD 2)	10 KW
	Muzaffarpur (DD2)	1 KW
	Aurangabad	300 W
	Begusarai	100 W
	Bettiah	100 W
	Bhagalpur	100 W
	Buxar	100 W
	Darbhanga	100 W
	Daudnagar	300 W
	Forbesganj	100 W
	Gaya	100 W
	Gopalganj	100 W
	Jamui	100 W
	Khagaria	100 W
	Lakhisarai	300 W
	Madhepura	100 W
	Madhubani	100 W
	Motihari	100 W
	Munger	100 W
	Nawada	100 W
	Phoolparas	300 W
	Raxaul	300 W
	Rosera	100 W
	Saharsa	100 W
	Sasaram	100 W
	Sheikhpura	100 W
	Sikandra	100 W
	Simri Bakhtiarpur	100 W
	Sitamarhi	100 W
	Siwan	100 W
	Supaul	300 W

II. Doordarshan Transmitter under Implementation in Bihar and its Powers

Type	Transmitter	Power (Watts)
LPTs (4)	Kishanganj	500 W
	Gaya (DD2)	500 W
	Ramnagar	100 W
	Banka	100 W

Termination of services of News Readers

†4018. SHRI LAJPAT RAI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Doordarshan has terminated the services of expert News Readers in last few months;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the names, date of birth, educational qualifications and other details of the News Readers who have been found fit; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) No Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The details of the News readers presently empanelled are given in the statement (see below).

(d) Does not arise.

†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.